

**I. Amendments to the Specification**

*Kindly replace paragraph number 10 on page 2, with the following rewritten paragraph:*

The container of the invention, which is preferably configured as a pail or in drum-like form, has a lid for closing the container, the lid having a receiving area or in which, in the closed state, the lip of the container opening engages and is held there. In so far, the container of the invention is based on known containers.

*Kindly replace paragraph number 15 on page 4, with the following rewritten paragraph:*

According to a preferred embodiment of the container, the at least two, preferably three or more catch-member pairs are engineered such that at least one of these catch-member pairs is configured differently to the other catch-member pairs in such manner that the movement necessary to disengage some of the catch-member pair differs from that for other catch-member pairs. This means that not all the catch-member pairs can be disengaged at once by way of a single movement of part of the lid, that is, of the receiving area of the lid, or of the lip of the container opening. On the contrary, the different movements required to disengage the catch-member pairs in their entirety ensure that a complex movement is necessary. It has proved particularly useful to provide at least two kinds of catch-member pairs, which require opposing movements to disengage the catch. A particularly interesting approach here, for example, is to necessitate a portion of the receiving area to move both outwards and inwards for purposes of opening the container. This measure, in particular, thus goes beyond that of the need for different, in particular opposing, movements to disengage circumferential catch members located

on opposing sides. Here, it is performed that catch-member pairs that opposing movement to disengage are located close by each other, for example, one above the other ~~require~~.